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Box No. V Reasoned statement under Article 35(2) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement

1.	Statement			
	Novelty (N)	Claims	1-9	YES
		Claims		NO
	Inventive step (IS)	Claims	1-9	YES
	•	Claims		NO
	Industrial applicability (IA)	Claims	1-9	YES
-		- Claims -		NO

2. Citations and explanations (Rule 70.7)

The following documents have been considered for the purpose of this report:

- (D1) Hee-Joon Kim, et al., PNAS, Vol. 99, No. 8, (2002), p5007-5011
- (D2) Eunsung Lee, et al., Angew. Chem. Int. Ed., Vol. 40, No. 2, (2001), p399-4402
- (D3) Yong-beom Lim, et al., Bioconjugate chem. Vol. 13, No. 6, (2002), p1181-1185
- (D4) Sang Yong Jon, et al., J. Am. Chem. Soc., Vol. 125, No. 34, (2003), p10186-10187
- (D5) Haizhen Zhang, et al., J. Am. Chem. Soc. Vol. 125, No. 31, (2003), p9284-9285

D1 discloses the inclusion behavior of methylviologen (N,N'-dimethyl-4,4'-bipyridinium, MV) dication in cucurbit[7]uril(CB[7]) by using various spectroscopic and electrochemical methods. The inclusion complex of MV dication in CB[7] is stable thermodynamically and kinetically and this provides an insight to the design of novel molecular devices such as electrochemically controllable molecular machines.

D2 discloses the synthesis of a novel 2D polyrotaxane with large cavities and channels which demonstrates that this is indeed viable to modular porous solids.

D3 discloses that a ternary complex of PPI-DAB dendrimer [(1,4-diaminobutane); Gen=N; dendri-poly(propyleneimine);-[NHC(=0)CH(2)NH(2)(+)(CH(2))(4)NH(3)(+)](z)()], DNA, and cucurbituril(CB) is evaluated as an example of a totally self-assembled gene delivery carrier and the complex is formed in a noncovalent way in which DNA interacts with PPI-DAB electrostatistically and CB with PPI-DAB through multiple noncovalent interactions.

D4 relates to a facile synthesis of cucurbit[n]uril derivatives via direct functionalization and expanded utilization of cucurbit[n]uril. A CB[6] modified surface may be useful in designing sensors and biochips and CB[n] can be attached on silica surfaces which can be utilized as a stationary phase in chromatography.

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Box V

D5 discloses the electrospray ionization mass spectrometric experiments which demonstrate that cucurbit[6]uril pseudorotaxanes survive into the gas phase and exhibit dissociation and reactivity distinct from that of nonrotaxanes.

1. Novelty

None of the prior art documents D1 to D5 describe a compound represented by Formula 1 in which a compound of Formula 3 vertically passes through a cavity of cucurbituril or its derivative of Formula 2, a solid substrate bonded with the compound and a biochip including the solid substrate. Therefore, the subject-matter of claims 1-9 can be regarded as novel under PCT Article 33(2)

2. Inventive Step

According to the present invention, a rotaxane compound is used to separate molecules within a linkage layer formed on a solid substrate of a biochip by a predetermined distance. A rotaxane compound is introduced in a linkage layer, the spacing between adjacent linear compounds can be maintained at more than a diameter of cucurbituril, a linkage layer made of a rotaxane compound is formed on a solid substrate, and molecules which constitute the linkage layer can be spaced apart from each other by a predetermined distance.

The rotaxane compound of Formula 1 can be bonded to a modified solid substrate with various end functional groups to form a desired solid substrate and this substrate bonded with the rotaxane compound of Formula 1 can be used in preparation of a gene chip. Therefore, a rotaxane compound of the present invention allows the uniform spacing between rotaxane molecules within a linkage layer formed on a solid substrate. As a resultant, a biochip with selectivity and sensitivity can be produced.

Since the present invention is considered as being non-obvious to a person skilled in the art, and consequently an inventive step can be acknowledged for the subject-matter of claims 1 to 9 under PCT Article 33(3).

3. Industrial Applicability

The subject-matter of claims 1 to 9 is considered to be industrially applicable under PCT Article 33(4).